

## OFFICE OF THE STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION

## NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY

FY 2013 Charter Schools Program, Dissemination Grant (Title V, Part B)

**Application Release Date: August 30, 2013** 

## GRANT APPLICATION SUBMISSION DEADLINE: September 20, 2013

The Office of Public Charter School Financing and Support, within The Office of the State Superintendent of Education (OSSE), will issue a Request for Applications for the FY 2013 Charter Schools Program Dissemination Grant.

A total of Three Hundred Forty-Eight Thousand, Two Hundred and Thirty-Five Dollars (\$348,235) in Dissemination Grant funds shall be used by public charter schools (LEAs) to assist other schools in adapting the public charter school's program (or certain aspects of public charter school's program), or to disseminate information about the public charter school through activities such as:

- Assisting other individuals with planning and start-up of one or more new public schools, including charter schools, that are independent of the assisting charter school and the assisting charter school's developers, and that agree to be held to at least as high a level of accountability as the assisting charter school;
- Developing partnerships with other public schools, including charter schools, designed to improve student academic achievement in each of the schools participating within the partnership;
- Developing curriculum materials, assessments, and other materials that promote increased student achievement, and are based on successful practices within assisting charter school; and
- Conducting evaluations and developing materials that document the successful practices of the assisting charter school and that are designed to improve student performance in other schools

To be eligible for this grant, a public charter school:

- Must have been in operation for at least three (3) consecutive years prior to this solicitation;
- Must not have received a dissemination grant in the past; and



- Must have demonstrated overall success defined by the No Child Left Behind Act, which states:
  - (1) Substantial progress in improving student academic achievement;
  - (2) High levels of parent participation and satisfaction; and
  - (3) The management and leadership necessary to overcome initial start-up problems and establish a thriving, financially viable charter school.

The grant award will be for a period not to exceed two (2) years from the date of the award, and the LEAs/public charter schools must commit to spending all grant funds awarded under this competition by September 30, 2015.

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A copy of the application will be available on August 30, 2013, on OSSE's website at www.osse.dc.gov.